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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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Applicant : Dah-Ben Liang, et al.
Application No. : 09/637,764
Filed : August 10, 2000
Title : ROCK BIT WITH HARD-FACING MATERIAL INCORPORATING
SPHERICAL CAST CARBIDE PARTICLES
Grp./Div. : 3672
Examiner : Roger J. Schoeppel
Docket No. : 36912/CM/S61

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated June 26, 2003 for three month(s) from September 26, 2003 to December 26, 2003.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$ 110	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 210	\$ 420	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 475	\$ 950	\$950.00

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 950.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

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Respectfully submitted,
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